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ANOTHER SHAKE.

Population Take Saints' Images and Pray For Mercy.

Palermo, Dec. 30.—A relief train dispatched toward Messina in hope of aiding the earthquake sufferers was forced to return here, being able to go only within ten miles of the stricken city on account of the demolished tracks.

There was a slight short undulatory shock of the earth at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, which, in view of the disastrous results of the recent earthquake, was sufficient to create a terrible panic. There was a general rush to squares and open places accompanied by lamentations and shrieks of fear. Although late in the day, the population invaded the churches and carried out images of saints and sacred vessels. Then they marched in procession through the streets, imploring the cessation of the earthquake scourge.

News from Messina calls for urgent measures there at once. Food especially is the present greatest need, as many are in danger of starvation. All trains are bringing refugees by hundreds from the devastated city.

Cheneys Deaths Confirmed.

Washington, Dec. 30.—A dispatch received at the state department from American Consul Gale, at Malta, confirms he reported deaths of Consul Cheney and wife at Messina. The bodies, the dispatch says, have not been recovered.

Morgan Donates Large Sum.

New York, Dec. 30.—J. Pierpont Morgan has donated \$10,000 to the Italian earthquake sufferers.

Big Fire at Piggott.

Piggott, Ark., Dec. 30.—A \$20,000 fire visited the business section.

Hamlin voted to issue waterworks bonds.

NO MODERN PLEAS.

Bell Says He Will Submit Case to "Horse Sense" of Jury.

Denver, Dec. 30.—C. Burdette Bell, who shot Charles Cuvier Dury of Cincinnati to death because, it is alleged, Dury enticed his wife from him, will permit no modern pleas of defense for the killing when he is placed on trial. According to a statement attributed to him, Bell will leave his case to the "horse sense of any jury," and "brain storms, emotional insanity or anything else of that kind" will be strictly avoided.

Flower Girl at Lafayette Ball.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Lucinda Fountain, the oldest resident of Montgomery, is dead.

She was ninety-five years of age and retained her faculties to the end. Mrs. Fountain was a flower girl at the ball given in honor of General Lafayette when he visited Montgomery in 1826. She delighted to narrate the incidents connected with the visits of the patriotic Frenchman. She was a native of Wellington, S. C.

Wedded to Boston Girl.

Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 30.—Manuel Sarabia, an alleged member of the Mexican revolutionist junta, was married here to Miss Elizabeth Trowbridge, a wealthy Boston girl. Sarabia's acquaintance with the young woman began when she paid a visit to Los Angeles, where he was confined before being transferred here. Sarabia is out on bail. Miss Trowbridge was attracted to Sarabia by her interest in Socialism.

To Disfranchise Negro.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 30.—Several of the leading Democrats of Oklahoma met here for the purpose of preparing a bill to be introduced in the legislature next week to disfranchise the negro. Governor Haskell was represented by J. F. Wyand of Muskogee.

Accidental Killing.

Gulfport, Miss., Dec. 30.—L. J. Chadwick, a boy, accidentally killed himself with a gun.

TRAGIC TERMINATION.

Four Men Go to Another's Residence and Two Dead.

Anderson, Tex., Dec. 30.—Detailed reports from Ulmer Wednesday give the first accurate account of a shooting affray there Tuesday, the result of which is two men are dead. James Bruce, Hamp Giles, Tom Lowe and Hamp Giles, Jr., went to the home of W. B. Estes, all heavily armed, to settle an old feud. Estes met them at the door with a shotgun, and immediately opened fire, it is alleged. Jim Bruce was instantly killed and Hamp Giles fatally wounded, dying Tuesday night.

The difficulty reached its climax Tuesday, it is claimed, between Lowe and Estes. This Estes denies. Wednesday Estes came to Anderson and voluntarily surrendered to the sheriff. He is now in jail here. The other two participants were uninjured, although Estes was slightly wounded in an arm.

PARKER ACCEPTS.

Will Succeed Thompson as Engineer of the Railroad Commission.

Austin, Dec. 30.—The railroad commission received a telegram from R. D. Parker, accepting the position of engineer of the commission, succeeding R. A. Thompson. Mr. Parker was accordingly appointed, effective Jan. 1. He is at present resident engineer of the Houston and Texas Central railway at Ennis.

Governor Campbell not only favors making gambling a finable offence, but also wishes penitentiary punishment. He says he is determined to stop gambling of every character in Texas, including raffles.

Governor Campbell has offered \$100 reward for the arrest and conviction for the next twelve months of any person violating the state law by exploiting gaming devices or permitting the use of premises for gaming purposes. The governor declares many a breaking the law and escaping punishment.

It is reported that Chief of Police Little is slated to succeed Secretary of State Davie. Hon. Monta J. Moore of Cameron has also been mentioned in this connection. The governor is noncommittal.

A number of sheriffs, headed by President Landry of the state association, conferred with the governor and it is understood the latter secured promises that the next convention of sheriffs will take action upholding the governor's course in closing the lid over the state.

A conference was held between heads of the four life insurance companies in state and Commissioner of Insurance Love regarding the affairs of these companies and plans for next year. Those here were Presidents Lindsey of the Southwestern, Dallas; Scott of the American Life, Galveston; Wolters of the Guaranty Life, Houston; Hogsett of Fort Worth Life, and Mayfield of the Texas Life at Waco.

Declare Quarterly Dividend.

New York, Dec. 30.—Directors of the Anaconda Copper company have declared a quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share.

The Officers,

Directors,

and

Shareholders

of the

City National
Bank

**Beg to wish for, all our Patrons
 Friends and Acquaintances a**

Merry Christmas

... AND A ...

Happy New Year!

Held Up by Negro Women.

Dallas, Dec. 30.—George Morgan, a barber, while walking along a street near the union depot, was held up by two negro women and robbed of \$20. He resisted and one of them slightly wounded him on a hand with a razor. The women escaped.

Charles Corle Found Dead.

Dallas, Dec. 30.—In a room at a local hotel the dead body of Charles Corle, a painter, was found at an early hour Wednesday morning. He had evidently died several days ago.

"Fortune Seekers" Retained.

Waco, Dec. 30.—Four boys aged ten to twelve, who left Fort Worth, their home to "seek their fortunes," were detained by the police here. Their parents came for them.

Reduction Sale of Men's \$5.00 Shoes this week

We must reduce our stock of Men's high grade Shoes before inventory, therefore we cut the price on any style, Slater & Morrill, W. L. Douglas \$5.00 shoes to

\$3.85

Pattent or Plain Leathers.

WILSON & DERDEN

Mr. E. J. Fountain
requests the honor of your presence at the sale of
his full line of
Fancy Groceries
to
His Many Customers
on Saturday morning, eight o'clock, December 12th
nineteen hundred and eight
at his store
Bryan, Texas

At The Cozy



CHAS. LAVIVIAN, WORLD'S RE-
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The king of rope manipulators, \$100 challenges for anyone to tie him with 50 feet to 100 feet of rope so that he cannot release himself. All performed in full view of audience. NO CABINET WORK. Latest novelty act three to five minutes.

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Telepathy.
Black Art.
Hypnotism.
Illusions.

Matinee Every Day at 3 O'Clock
New Films at Each Performance.

KILLING AT ULMER.

Four Men Shot Down by One Man
With a Winchester.

A phone message from Anderson at 11 o'clock this morning stated that four white men had been shot down by one man with a Winchester at Ulmer, a saw mill camp on the T. & B. V. railroad near the old Post mill. Our informant learned that the men shot were two Giles boys, Jim Bruce and a man by the name of Estes. No particulars could be learned owing to the isolation of the place. Trouble has been brewing up there for several weeks and this is perhaps the culmination of the disturbance.—Navasota Examiner.

Dec. 29, 1908.

An Appreciation.

To each of our customers
who have contributed their
patronage during the past
year and to whom we owe
the progress we have achieved,
we extend our heartiest
greetings and proffer our best
wishes for a
**MERRY CHRISTMAS and
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.**

We anticipate that the good
will born us by our customers
and friends will influence
others to divert in our
direction a share of their
patronage the coming year.

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The Satisfactory Drugstore
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Xmas Boxes, Paper and Tags, Fountain Pens, Gold Mounted Meerschaum and Briar Pipes, Havana Cigars, Fancy Package Perfumery, Fisher Books and Calendars, Water Color and Novelty Pictures, Club Offers in Magazines, Post Cards and Albums, Huyle's Candies, and Kodaks, Pearl Handle Knives, Safety Razors, Xmas Stationery of All Kinds.

Cavitt's Drug Store

aid for Italy.

Efforts to Help the Stricken People
Will Be Made Today.
Relief lists will be circulated here
today by a committee of Italian-Americans
in an effort to raise funds for
procuring necessities for the home-
less thousands who still survive the
disaster which has overwhelmed a
large part of Italy, and who have had
everything they possessed swept
from them and destroyed in the great-
est cataclysm the world has ever
known.

Cables yesterday estimated the dead
at from 100,000 to 200,000 as a result
of the upheaval and the tidal wave
which followed.

The need for help is urgent, and it
is proper that the citizens of Italian
descent should take the initiative in
the laudable work.

So far as the Eagle could ascertain
yesterday no relatives of any of
the Italian citizens of this section are
believed to have been injured or suf-
fered loss by the horror. It seems
that nearly all of our people came
from the west side of the peninsula,
while the havoc by the recent up-
heaval was wrought on the east side.

Important Meeting.

The attention of our readers is di-
rected to the change in date of the
meeting called in these columns re-
cently for Jan. 6 at the courthouse in
Bryan. The date has been changed
to Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 2 p. m. instead
of Wednesday the 6th, and the reason
for making the change is that the
quarterly meeting of the Farmers
Union will be held at Cottonwood
Jan. 6 and 7, and it is desired to have
all the progressive farmers of the coun-
try present at the courthouse meet-
ing. The meeting will be addressed
by Prof. C. H. Alvord, a member of
the faculty of the A. and M. College,
who will speak on the subject of
creameries and Mr. R. C. Campbell of
Brenham, who will discuss the grow-
ing of Irish potatoes in commercial
quantities and for the money that can
be realized from same. The meeting
will be one of interest and value, and
will doubtless be attended largely by
the progressive element of our farm-
ers.

TEXAS TEACHERS.

In Convention at Austin—Meeting
Well Attended.

Special to Bryan Morning Eagle.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 30.—This was
another busy and instructive day for
the hundreds of teachers in attendance
on the annual convention of their
State association. A general session
was held this forenoon at which the
speakers included Dr. J. L. Kesler of
Baylor University, Superintendent J.
E. Blair of Corsicana, Dr. Margaret
Holiday of Austin, and Superintendent
S. M. N. Marrs of Terrell.

The afternoon programme was de-
voted to meetings of the various sec-
tions, among the superintendents and
principals, county superintendents,
classical and high schools. At the
general session tonight the chief
speakers scheduled are State Superin-
tendent R. B. Cousins and Clarence
Ousley of Fort Worth, president of
the Conference for Education in Texas.

CAN'T SEE THE RAISE.

Special to Bryan Morning Eagle.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30.—The
opposition of California merchants and
shippers to the increased freight
rates announced by the Southern Pa-
cific and Santa Fe roads to become ef-
fective with the beginning of the new
year is to be voiced at simultaneous
mass meetings arranged to take place
tonight in many parts of the State.
The purpose of the meetings, as stat-
ed, in the call for the gatherings, is
"to demonstrate to the transconti-
nental railroads and to the United States
that the people of California have no
intention of paying the increases of
freight rates which it is proposed to
put into effect on Jan 1, 1909."

Cakes and Candy.

I have a nice line of fresh home
made Fruit cakes and nice fancy
cakes and candy.

Mrs. Otto Poehne.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

(Joe McGee.)

The good old year is passing out,
Soon it will be no more,
The new one comes in with a shout,
With all its life before.
It's time again to make our vows,
And promises anew,
To tell our neighbors and kinfolk
What we are going to do.

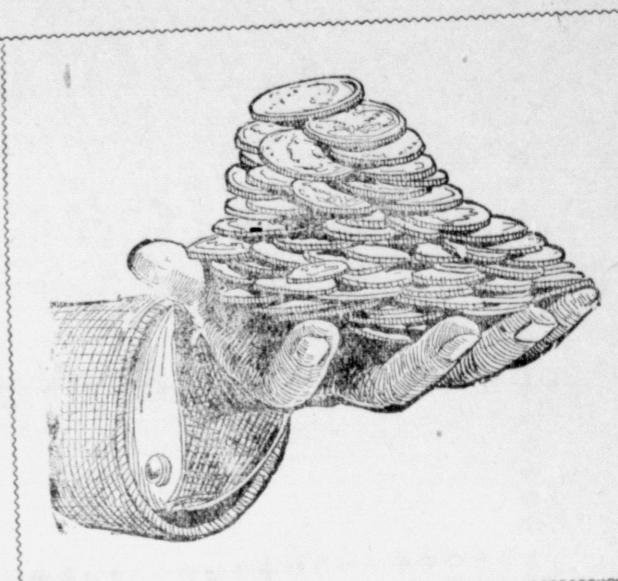
We're going to live a better life
And try to do more good,
And never leave our patient wife
To cut her own stovewood.
Going to spend our evenings home
Instead of at the club,
And when she some times has to wash
We'll always fill the tub.
Then she will meet us with a kiss,
Just as she used to do,
And home again will taste of bliss,
The sky will seem more blue.

We're going to cut expenses down,
And live within our means,
And have no masters in our town
By giving them no liens.
And when the Lord's day comes
why then,

We'll always fill our pew,
And when the preacher says amen,
We'll say that amen, too.
Remember, friend, you made this vow
Just one short year ago,
How does your promise stand just
now?

We'd like so much to know,
Tis best to make no promises,
Unless you make them good,
Lest you behold a fallen wreck
Where once your castle stood.

INVENTORY SALE



It's inventory time again! Which do you think we prefer doing—counting hats, shoes, underwear, neckwear, shirts and other furnishing goods, or counting Money? We think you'll answer, Counting Money. Right You Are—We are going to make a supreme effort to convert into money all of our entire stock of Furnishing Goods, Hats and Shoes, that we possibly can before taking inventory, so,

FOR ONE WEEK

Commencing Thursday, Dec. 31st—ending Wednesday, January 6th we will give a clean cut of

One-Fourth Off on Everything

All new Hats, Caps, Shoes and Furnishing Goods, as well as broken lots, come under the ban. **Nothing Reserved.** Prices are guaranteed to be bona-fide. No marked up prices or tricks. Just a plain fair and square offer to save you money. Take one-fourth off, pay us the balance and the goods are yours. Just figure "One-fourth" off and see what a saving it is. We quote only a few prices to "Show You."

Hats.

We are well over-stocked on hats than
anything else, and can please you in the
season's best shapes, colors and values,
both stiff and soft hats.

\$3.00 Hats at.....	\$2.25
\$2.00 Hats at.....	\$1.50
\$1.50 Hats at.....	\$1.15
\$4.00 Hats at.....	75c

Shoes and Furnishing Goods.

\$5.00 Article at.....	\$3.75
\$4.00 Article at.....	\$3.00
\$3.00 Article at.....	\$2.25
\$2.00 Article at.....	\$1.50
\$1.00 Article at.....	75c
50c Article at.....	37c

Remember—We have anything you need in Hats, Shoes, Shirts, Underwear, Neckwear, Hosiery, Raincoats, White and Fancy Vests, Overalls, Hunting Coats, Sweaters, Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Umbrellas, Suspenders, Garters, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Gloves, Collars and Cuffs, Night Robes, Pajamas, Suit-cases, Cuff-buttons, Watch Fobs, etc. All at "One-fourth off." You know the disadvantage of waiting—come early.

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A. TIME CARD. & I. C. Schedule.

h bound.....	1:38 p.m.
h bound.....	12:46 a.m.
th bound.....	3:40 p.m.
th bound.....	2:48 a.m.

I. & G. N. Schedule.

North bound.....	12:58 p.m.
South bound.....	4:11 p.m.

OCALS AND PERSONALS.

Ad Hunter & Chatham's ad.	20
H. H. Henry left Tuesday for	

ev. W. J. Meads of Kurten was in	
city Wednesday.	

Mr. W. D. Stallings of Tabor was	
the city Wednesday.	

Mr. Joe Kopecky of Rye was a	
visitor to the city Wednesday.	

Miss Leila Andrews of Union Hill	
was in the city Wednesday.	

Matinees every evening at the Cozy	
this week only.	22

Hon. W. C. Davis left on the early	
morning train today for Austin.	

Mr. R. B. Stevenson left for a	
business trip to Navasota last night.	

Mr. C. A. Buchanan of Kurten was	
a visitor to the city Wednesday.	

Mr. W. L. Edge was a visitor from	
Harris School community yesterday.	

Mr. H. F. Payne of Benchley was a	
business visitor to the city yesterday.	

FOR SALE—A few choice Berkshire	
brood sows. Inquire I. & G. N. depot.	

Ir. L. S. Williams of Coleview	
transacted business here Wednesday.	

r. and Mrs. Ed Zimmerman of	
en were in the city Wednesday.	

J. P. Gilpin, one of the enter-	
ing citizens of the Harris School	

amunity, was a visitor to the city	
Wednesday.	

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The meeting of farmers announced to be held at the courthouse Jan. 6, will occur Tuesday, Jan. 5 instead.

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Car of fine Oklahoma ear corn on track. Phone 53.

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Dr. Claude Searcy returned to Hempstead yesterday after a visit to his father, Capt. A. J. Searcy of this city.

Mr. H. G. Hearne returned to his home in Sherman yesterday after a holiday visit to his mother in this city.

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Mrs. Nannie Rohde and daughter, Mrs. Carl Cole, returned yesterday afternoon from a visit to relatives in Franklin.

Everything at reduced prices. A. J. Wagner and company.

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Mr. J. K. Presnal, identified with the agricultural interests of the Tabor community, was a visitor to the city Wednesday.

Rev. J. A. Challener and Mrs. Challener returned yesterday from a Christmas visit to relatives in Taylor and George town.

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Mrs. C. G. Royder of Wellborn was in the city yesterday on a shopping trip.

The Hindo Box Mystery at the Cozy Friday night by Foster & Lavinian.

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Mrs. V. R. Harder of Houston is the guest of Miss Lila Shelburne of this city.

For Rent—A nice cottage on Moseley street near Court House. Apply to Mrs. Alice Smith.

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Mr. W. T. Crenshaw of Steep Hollow was a business visitor to the city Wednesday.

Miss Mary Rhodes has returned to Franklin after a visit to Mrs. John M. Caldwell.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Dunlap left yesterday afternoon for a visit to relatives in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams have returned to Mart after a visit to relatives in this city.

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Messrs. Joe Opersteny and Frank Valenta have returned from a visit to relatives in Waco.

Reduced prices on all furniture, carpets, matting, until Jan. 1 James & Nunn.

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Miss Lelia Yardley returned to Franklin Wednesday after a visit to her parents at Harvey.

Misses Winnie and Kate Henderson returned to Cameron yesterday after a visit to relatives in this city.

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33 1/3 and 20 per cent saved on every dollar spent. Nothing reserved. A. J. Wagner & company.

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Miss Pauline Williams, the guest for several weeks of Mrs. W. E. Harris, left yesterday for San Antonio.

Mr. H. J. Schlaner of Fort Worth, who spent his Christmas vacation with Bryan friends, returned yesterday to his home in North Texas.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Parker have returned to their home at Mart after a Christmas visit to relatives and friends in this city and section.

Manager Mike suggests that a most pleasant way to sit out the Old year would be to see Miss Thurston in "The Woman's Hour" at the Grand tonight.

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Mrs. D. D. Dawson and daughter, Miss Maggie returned yesterday from a trip to Dallas. Mrs. Fred Welch returned with them and will visit here for a while.

Hanan shoes \$6.00 grade now \$4.80. A. J. Wagner & company.

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Dr. G. W. Butler, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of this city but now residing in Dallas, is here for a few days, and is warmly greeted by his many friends.

A new bill at the Cozy last night attracted another large crowd and all seemed highly pleased with the performance. An entire change of program is promised for tonight.

Mr. J. C. Cloud leaves today for his farm out on Route 6. Mr. Cloud has been with the Lawrence cotton ware-

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Why? Because it is a Texas company, has ample capital and Surplus and will keep Texas money in Texas. Joe B. Reed will explain the different plans and rates, and can also write Accident and Sick Benefit Insurance for best companies and give you just what you want, and you will know what you are getting. Every man and woman under 50, in good health, should join our FRIEND IN NEED SOCIETY.

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With the Newest Seasonable Fabrics for Men's Clothing. The old reliable

JOHN WITTMAN TAILOR SHOP

Can always be depended on for Quality, Style, Fit and Promptness.

Give us your orders. JOHN WITTMAN, Merchant Tailor

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ING.

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PRICES AS USUAL.

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List of Dead May Reach the
Frightful Figure Of

OVER HUNDRED THOUSAND

Torpedoboot, Which Endeavored to
Carry Relief to the Inhabitants of
Reggio, Returned With the Infor-
mation That Nothing but a Heap of
Ruins Remains.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Half the population of Calabria and the eastern part of Sicily is dead; the other half is weeping. As the great extent of the terrific seismic disturbances become apparent it seems impossible to exaggerate the horrors which followed them. The calamity, which overwhelmed Italy, is almost beyond the grasp of the imagination, not only because of the dead, now known to number tens of thousands, but because of the innumerable wounded buried in the ruins, many of whom perished because it was impossible to rescue them from the wrecks of their former homes. The whole of Italy is absolutely stunned, and at the scenes of the disaster the bulk of the people were literally demented with the suddenness and extent of the blow. The total number of victims is variously estimated at from 50,000 to 150,000.

King Victor and the queen arrived at Messina Wednesday. As they made their way into the town the scene of the disaster and horror was too much for the queen, who almost swooned. Crowds of terror stricken persons swarmed about the royal party, throwing themselves in the mud and screaming for pity and aid.

Many terrible stories are related in connection with the rescue work. The rescuers had to contend with a superstition so deep rooted in the Sicilian mind that in many instances injured men and women clung to crumbling walls, refusing to let go their hold and seek a safer position.

As further facts concerning stricken Messina become available they corroborate in every detail the worst fears heretofore expressed. The cathedral, municipal buildings, barracks and prisons were destroyed, and presumably all smaller buildings shared the same fate. Of the 280 railway employees in the station at Messina only eight are known to have survived, while at Reggio, the silence of death still reigns and leaves to the imagination the terrible havoc wrought by catastrophe, with the horrible thrush of the sea swallowing up boats, and crushing ships, and the destruction of bridges and walls.

Cable communication with the Aolian Islands, twenty-five miles west of Sicily, was interrupted. It is evident the line is broken and it is feared the islands have also been destroyed. The largest of the group is the Island of Larparai, and its capital town has a population of 12,000.

Information from Palermo says a torpedoboot which went to aid the earthquake sufferers at Reggio, returned, reporting nothing remains of the city but ruins.

A Messina survivor arriving at Catania says only a small proportion of the total population escaped. Thousands of persons are still buried alive in the ruins, where they are suffering slow death by torture. Flames are still making their way slowly over the devastated area in an inexorable advance. The imprisoned and pinioned human beings, unable to extricate themselves, are being burned alive. Others are dying of injuries. Many are starving. The streets are filled with confused masses of bricks and mortar, beams, furniture, chimneys and roofs. In many cases the streets appear as enormous crevasses, twisted into fantastic shapes. The celebrated Avenue Palazzati, which runs along the sea front from the university to the post office, is quite impassable. All public monuments have entirely disappeared.

Calamity Grows.

The calamity grows with the receipt of every fresh dispatch from the south. Calabria is dotted with small towns and villages and new localities are reporting almost hourly casualty lists that run from hundreds into thousands. It is still impossible to reach any accurate estimate of the dead, but the total number is placed anywhere between 100,000 and 150,000. In some quarters it is declared the final numbers will be high as 200,000 persons. One-half the population of Calabria and eastern Sicily has apparently perished.

Counless thousands of wounded men, women and children are dying in the ruins. It is utterly impossible to succor them all.

Completely Wiped Out.

Catanzaro, Calabria, Dec. 30.—Report received here says the town of Bagnara, on the coast to the north of Reggio, have been completely wiped out, fire finishing the work of destruction. The report says: "All the inhabitants of Bagnara are dead." The town had about 10,000 people. In a few days time will be scattered over the heap of ruins, which alone mark the site of a once populous town.

Bishop Sessums Missing.

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—Rt. Rev. David Sessums, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Louisiana, is believed by members of his diocese to have been at Messina at the time of the earthquake. Nothing has been heard from him.

Lord Enters Neck.
Dukedom, Tenn., Dec. 30.—Carl Olive, a youth, was accidentally killed by his comrade, Jodie Williams.

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May your ambitions be fulfilled.

Wishing you health to enjoy

every minute of the

New Year

Holidays 1908

BUCHANAN-MOORE CO.

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MASONIC TEMPLE.

Committee Instructed to Make Final
Arrangements to Build.

At a meeting of the Bryan Lodge of Masons held last night, the building committee, composed of Messrs. W. E. Saunders, J. W. Batts, H. G. Rhodes, E. J. Fountain and J. S. Dean submitted a report to the lodge which was accepted, and the committee was instructed to close final arrangements for the erection of the temple, which will be situated on Main street, between the opera house and Carnegie Hall, opposite the Exchange hotel.

The plans of the building have been submitted and accepted. The temple is to be three stories high. The first floor will be leased for mercantile purposes, the second floor will be used for offices and the lodge room will be situated on the third floor.

The estimated cost of the building is \$12,000.

TWIN CALVES IN PAIRS

Four Cows Give Birth to Eight Calves
Within a Few Days.

Out of a bunch of eight milk cows, grade Durhams, owned by A. T. Wooten, a well-known farmer fifteen miles southwest of Fort Worth, on the Clear Fork, four of them have given birth to twin calves within the past thirty days.

Seven of the eight twins are now alive and thriving, one of them having been drowned in the Clear Fork. When born the eight calves were almost full sized and since then have gained weight and size rapidly. The last pair of twins was born Christmas day and the first pair only three weeks before that time. They are all from three-quarter Durham cows by a full blood Durham bull.—Fort Worth Star.

At the poultry show now in progress at Houston Mr. C. E. Jenkins of Bryan won first on cocks, first on cockerels, first and second on hens, first, second and third on pullets, and second on pen. Mr. John B. Mike has a bronze turkey on exhibition which weighs exactly 60 pounds.

Bishop Sessums Missing.
Dukedom, Tenn., Dec. 30.—Carl Olive, a youth, was accidentally killed by his comrade, Jodie Williams.

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